



# FUNDING ALERT



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## Federal Opportunities

**LAST CALL. Business and International Education Program.** *The Department of Education* announces grants to institutions of higher education to enhance international business education programs and to expand the capacity of the business community to engage in international economic activities. Eligible applicants include institutions of higher education that enter into agreements with trade associations, business enterprises, or trade organizations that are engaged in international economic activity. Deadline for applications is November 4, 2002. Approximately \$4.7 million is available to fund 28 awards. For more information, contact Tanyelle Richardson at (202) 502-7626 or [tanyelle.richardson@ed.gov](mailto:tanyelle.richardson@ed.gov). This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**LAST CALL. Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language Program.** *The Department of Education* announces grants to strengthen and improve undergraduate instruction in international studies and foreign languages. Eligible applicants include: (1) institutions of higher education, (2) combinations of institutions of higher education, (3) partnerships between nonprofit educational organizations and institutions of higher education, and (4) public and private nonprofit agencies and organizations. Deadline for applications is November 4, 2002. Approximately \$4.7 million is available for 30 awards. For further information, contact Christine Corey at (202) 502-7629 or [christine.corey@ed.gov](mailto:christine.corey@ed.gov). This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372.

**STILL OPEN. Disability Rehabilitation Research Projects (DRRP) Program.** *The Department of Education* announces funds to improve the effectiveness of services in the following areas: Health Services Research; Mental Health Service Delivery to Deaf, Hard of Hearing and Deaf-Blind Individuals From Diverse Backgrounds; and Developing Models to Promote the Use of NIDRR Research. Eligible applicants include States; public or private agencies, including for-profit agencies and organizations. The deadline is November 12, 2002. Approximately \$1.5 million is available to fund 3 awards. For further information, contact Donna Nangle at (202) 205-5880 or [Donna.Nangel@ed.gov](mailto:Donna.Nangel@ed.gov).

## District Opportunities

**AmeriCorps Program.** *The DC Commission on National and Community Service (DC CNCS)* announces the availability of AmeriCorps Program grant funds for fiscal year 2003 to eligible organizations to support programs that meet community needs, as defined by the District of Columbia, in the areas of education, public safety, environment, homeland security, and other human needs. AmeriCorps is a national service network that provides full and part-time opportunities for participants, called members, to serve their communities. Eligible applicants include any local nonprofit or public organization, institutions of higher education, faith-based organizations and District government agencies proposing to operate a program within the District of Columbia. The Request for Application (RFA) will be released on November 1, 2002. The deadline for applications is January 17, 2003. All agencies intending to submit

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an application are required to attend a training and technical assistance meeting on how to write an AmeriCorps grant. The sessions will be offered three times at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW: Thursday, Nov. 14, 9 a.m. – noon, first floor Council Chambers; Tuesday, Dec. 3, 2-5 p.m., Suite 1030 South; Tuesday, Dec. 10, 5-8 p.m., Suite 1030 South. In addition, DC CNCS strongly encourages applicants to attend one of two AmeriCorps Program Information Sessions. The sessions will be held at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1030 South, on the following dates: Tuesday, Oct. 29, 10 a.m.-noon; Tuesday, Nov. 5, 3-5 p.m. Applications may be obtained from the DC CNCS Office, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1040 South, Washington, DC 20001; or [www.cncs.dc.gov](http://www.cncs.dc.gov). For additional information, please call Renetta Boyd, Director of Programs, at (202) 727-7937.

## **Bridge Rental Subsidy Program – Home First II**

*The DC Department of Mental Health (DMH)/Office of the Director* announces the availability of grant funds to provide fiscal and administrative services in the disbursement and tracking of bridge housing subsidies, security deposits, emergency flexible fund bridge loans and grants. The target population for purposes of this RFA will be consumers with serious and persistent mental illness who are enrolled with a DMH certified Core Service Agency, Specialty Provider and/or Subcontractor. The Request for Applications (RFA) will be available on October 25, 2002. The deadline for applications is 4:30 p.m. on November 29, 2002. The Director of DMH can authorize up to \$2 million from appropriated funds and subgrant funds from the Mental Health Block Grant and Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH) Program. One award will be made for a period of one year with the option to renew for up to three additional years, if grant funds continue to be available. Applications may be picked up Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the Department of Mental Health, 77 P Street, NE, Fourth Floor, Washington, DC 20002 - near Union Station Metro. A pre-application conference will be held November 4, 2002, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Department of Mental Health, Conference Room C. For additional information, contact Edith Makenta, Director, Housing Division, Department of Mental Health, at (202) 671- 3151 or [edith.makenta@dc.gov](mailto:edith.makenta@dc.gov).

## **Homeland Security – Special Volunteer Program.**

*The DC Commission on National and Community Service (DC CNCS)* announces the availability of Homeland Security - Special Volunteer Program mini-grant funds for fiscal year 2003 for programs in support of DC's Citizen Corps efforts. Citizen Corps creates opportunities for individuals to help their communities prepare for and respond to emergencies. Eligible applicants include any DC Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (DC VOAD) member that is a local nonprofit or public organization, institutions of higher education, faith-based organizations and District government agencies proposing to operate a program within the District of Columbia. The Request for Application (RFA) will be released on October 28, 2002. The deadline for applications is November 28, 2002. The DC CNCS anticipates making up to four \$10,000-\$20,000 grant awards in fiscal year 2003. A required technical assistance session will be scheduled in the month of November. Applications may be obtained from the DC CNCS Office, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1040 South, Washington, DC 20001; or [www.cncs.dc.gov](http://www.cncs.dc.gov). For additional information, please call Jerome DuVal, Director of Citizen Corps, at (202) 727-7928.

## **21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers**

**Program Grant.** *The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), State Education Agency (SEA)* is soliciting applications to develop a program that will be used to implement or expand community learning centers. **The deadline for applications has been extended to November 14, 2002.** Applications can only be obtained from the Office of Research and Analysis (ORA) at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 400 South, Washington, DC 20001. For additional information, please call ORA at (202) 727-7775.

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are still available at [http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding\\_grants/index.shtm](http://opgd.dc.gov/info/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm) for the following notices:

*The DC Department of Human Services/Office of Special Initiatives, DC Fatherhood Initiative*, due November 1, 2002. **Please note that a corrected**

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**version of the RFA was posted to the OPGD website on Wednesday, October 16, 2002.**

*The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities, The Young Artists Grants Program, due November 4, 2002.*

*The DC Department of Health/Office of Primary Care, Prevention and Planning/Preventive Health Services Administration, Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant for FY2003, due November 20, 2002.*

*The DC Department of Mental Health/Office of the Director, Replication of Evidence Based Supported Employment, due November 25, 2002.*

*The DC State Education Office, Teacher Quality Improvement Grant Program, due January 24, 2003.*

## Foundation Opportunities

**Orthotics & Prosthetics.** *The Orthotic & Prosthetic Assistance Fund, Inc. (OPAF)* announces funds to enhance quality of life for individuals with disabilities, especially those served by members of the orthotics and prosthetics community. Eligible applicants are nonprofit organizations. To be considered for an OPAF grant, organizations should complete an application packet that includes all of the information listed on the OPAF Grant Program web page: <http://www.opfund.org/programs/grant.html>. The deadline for applications is December 1, 2002, for funding during 2003. For more information about OPAF, see: [www.opfund.org](http://www.opfund.org).

## Resources & Announcements

**Workshop Training Series.** *The US Department of Labor's Center for Faith-Based and Community Initiatives* is hosting a series of workshop trainings at the Department's Auditorium, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210. This series includes:

October 30: Foundation and Corporate Giving

An explanation of how to research foundation and corporate giving.

November 6: Board Development and Individual Donors

A description of the roles and responsibilities of a nonprofit board of directors.

November 13: Government Funding

A step-by-step explanation of the government funding process - from the application to the management of a Department of Labor grant.

November 30: Program Evaluation

An illustration of how to collect data to be able to evaluate the results and effectiveness of your program.

There is no registration fee; however, for security purposes, you must have a reservation. To register, please contact Jennifer Pfeiffer at (202) 693-6450 or send an e-mail to [contact-cfbci@dol.gov](mailto:contact-cfbci@dol.gov) with the name of the session and the number of people attending from your organization. Since space is limited to 200 people for each session, please limit your attendance to two people for any individual organization.

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